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House Democratic Whip Steny Hoyer  
U.S. House of Representatives  
H-306 The Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Subject: The Full-Service Community Schools Act of 2005

Dear Representative Hoyer:

On behalf of the National Community Education Association (NCEA), I am pleased to be writing in support of the Full-Service Community Schools Act of 2005. This bill will go a long way to helping us begin to realize our goal for every school to have an opportunity to become a community school. We are seeing growing interest across the country in establishing community schools, especially, full-service community schools.

We are convinced that the concept of linking the school, community and home together in partnership will be the most effective tool we have in providing the highest quality of education for all children. The full-service community school has the capacity to mobilize a wide array of community resources that can enrich the education and well-being for all children and families.

NCEA's members will support this legislation as it moves forward through Congress towards passage. Thank you for your commitment to this major step in helping to obtain support for full-service community schools.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director